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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

MAIL STOP: AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 02, 2006, please consider this paper as a request for a one month extension of time and any further extensions to make this response timely. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the one-month extension and any further fees which may be due, other than issue fees, to Deposit Account 10-0435, with reference to matter number 2835-74916. Please consider:

**A listing of Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.